

# **Annual Business Survey**

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## **ABS Background**

- Joint project between the Census Bureau and the National Science Foundation's (NSF) National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES)
- New business survey planned for survey years 2017 2021
- Conducted annually as mandatory under Title 13
- Replaces Survey of Business Owners (SBO), Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs (ASE), and the Business R&D and Innovation Survey for Microbusinesses (BRDI-M)
- Also replaces the Innovation part of the Business R&D and Innovation Survey (BRDIS)

## **Survey of Business Owners**

- Survey of Business Owners conducted every 5 years as part of the economic census
- First known as the Survey of Minority Business Enterprises (SMOBE) and the Survey of Women Business Enterprises (SWOBE)
- Developed in response to President Nixon's Executive Order
   11458 to produce statistics on minority owned businesses
- Published number of firms, receipts, payroll, and employment by owner demographics
- Large sample size of 1.75 million to produce detailed statistics on minority owned employer and nonemployer businesses

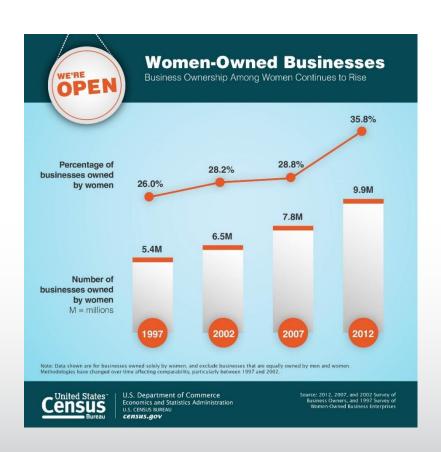
## **Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs**

- Supplement to the SBO
- Conducted annually to provide more frequent statistics on minority owned businesses (for survey years 2014 – 2016)
- Joint effort between the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, the Minority Business Development Agency, and the Census Bureau
- Published number of firms, receipts, payroll, and employment by owner demographics
- Sampled 290,000 employer businesses to produce summary level statistics on minority owned employer businesses

## **Business R&D and Innovation Survey for Microbusinesses**

- Annual survey to collect research and development activity for small employer businesses (for survey years 2016 and 2017)
- Sponsored by the National Science Foundation's National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics
- Sampled 200,000 employer businesses to produce R&D activity and costs and other business characteristics (similar to ASE)

#### **2012 SBO Data**

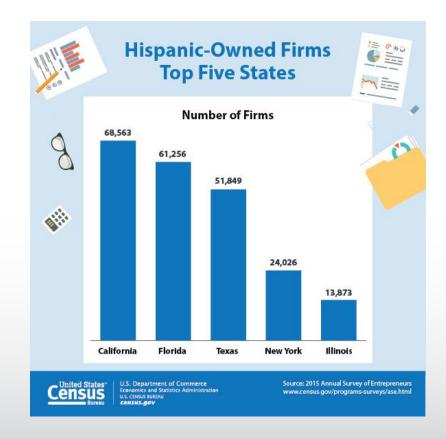


- Sourced from the 2012 Survey of Business Owners
- Compares women business ownership over time
- Similar data available by race and ethnicity
- More data and visualizations available at https://www.census.gov/pr ograms-surveys/sbo.html

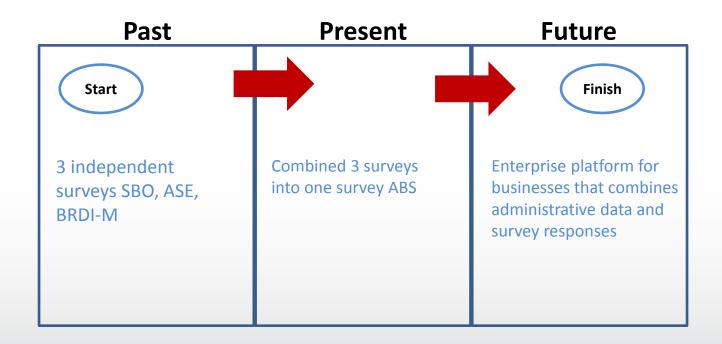
#### **ASE Data**



Less than 2 years		2–10 years	11 or more years
All firms	8.9%	43.9%	47.2%
Male	8.7	43.0	48.3
Female	10.8	50.3	38.9
Veteran	6.8	34.8	58.4
Nonveteran	9.4	46.0	44.6
Minority	12.9	56.2	30.8
Nonminority	8.2	42.1	49.8
Hispanic	13.1	55.3	31.6
lon-Hispanic	8.8	44.1	47.1
White	8.5	42.8	48.7
Black	14.1	55.0	30.9
Asian	12.7	57.5	29.7
ve Hawaiian and er Pacific Islander	10.3	51.1	38.7
American Indian nd Alaska Native	11.6	48.9	39.4
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#### **High – Level Overview**



#### **ABS Content**

- Collects data on owner demographics
  - Ask questions about the owner's race, gender, ethnicity, and military status
- Collects data on research and development activity and cost for businesses with 1-9 employees
- Designed to introduce a new business topic each survey year
  - Innovation
  - Technology
- Core content maintained each survey year
- Use administrative data where feasible

## **ABS Methodology**

- Samples 850,000 employer businesses in benchmark year (2017)
- Reduced sample size to 300,000 employer businesses annually (2018 – 2021)
- Conducted on a firm (enterprise) basis
- Includes all nonfarm businesses filing IRS employer tax forms
- Covers 20 NAICS industries with some exclusions
- Excludes nonemployer businesses

## **ABS Sample**

- Stratified by frame, industry, and state
- Uses administrative data to estimate probability firm is minority- or women-owned
- Each firm placed in one of 9 frames for sampling
- Large companies selected with certainty based on volume of sales, payroll, or number of paid employees
- Certain R&D industries selected with certainty

## Sampling Frames

American Indian

Asian

Black or African American

Hispanic

Non-Hispanic white men

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander

Other (a different race as write-in)

**Publicly owned** 

Women

#### **ABS** Estimates

- Firms, receipts, payroll, and employment by gender, ethnicity, race, and veteran status for all employer businesses
- Research and development activity and costs for businesses with 1-9 employees
- Innovation activity
- Technology usage
- Business and owner characteristics

#### **ABS Data Tabulations**

- Owner demographics
- Detailed industries
  - 2-6 digit NAICS
- Detailed geographies
  - US, state, msa, county, and economic place
- Years in business
- Size of business
  - Employment and receipts

## 2017 ABS Planning

- Data collection
  - Initial mail June 21, 2018
  - Due date August 8, 2018
  - Electronic only collection
- Data processing and analysis
  - Throughout 2018 and 2019
- Data releases
  - December 2019

## 2018 – 2021 Timing

- Slightly shorter cycle
- Data collection
  - June November
- Data processing
  - November July
- Data analysis and data table review
  - July November
- Data releases
  - November/December

#### **ABS Outreach**

- Efforts to engage researchers, stakeholders, respondents, and user community
- Data user webinar June 2018
- Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER) annual conference – June 2018
- Association of Public Data Users (APDU) annual conference
   July 2018
- Ongoing discussions with Small Business Administration (SBA), Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA), National Women's Business Council, Kauffman Foundation

### Conclusion

- Combining 3 independent surveys into one survey
- Continue to provide detailed comprehensive data
- Flexible content increases utility
- Shortened survey cycle

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